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Service Date: November 14, 1984

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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IN THE MATTER Of The Application )  
Of The TOWN OF SACO for Authority )  
To Adopt Increased Water Rates. )  
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UTILITY DIVISION  
DOCKET NO. 84.8.43  
DEFAULT ORDER NO. 5096

On August 16, 1984 the Town of Saco (Applicant) filed an application with the Montana Public Service Commission for an order authorizing the applicant to increase its water rates to provide revenues to defray increased costs of operation, to maintain and repair the existing system and to meet increased capital expenditures.

Having considered the application and the documentation furnished by Applicant in support of its application and deeming itself fully advised in the premises, the Commission makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. A Notice Of Opportunity For Public Hearing was published in the October 4, 1984 edition of the Billings Gazette and the October 3, 1984 edition of the Phillips County News, Malta, Montana. The notice stated that if no request for a public hearing were received by October 26, 1984 an appropriate order would be issued based upon evidence submitted with the application.

2. No requests for a hearing were received and no hearing was scheduled.

3. On July 18, 1984 the Town Council of the Town of Saco passed Resolution No. 185 setting water rates at the proposed level.

4. The Town alleges it needs additional revenue to meet increased capital expenditures and to cover increased operation and maintenance expense.

5. The Town anticipates that the proposed rates will increase annual revenues by approximately \$14,400.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Commission has jurisdiction over parties and proceedings.

2. Interested persons were given proper notice and an opportunity to request a public hearing in this matter.

3. The resulting rate levels are reasonable and just.

ORDER

1. The rates as set forth in Appendix "A" attached and by this reference incorporated herein are authorized.

2. These rates shall be effective for services rendered on and after November 9, 1984.

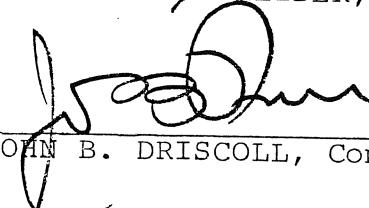
DONE IN OPEN SESSION at Helena, Montana on the 9th day of November, 1984 by a 5 - 0 vote.

APPENDIX "A"


Up to 1000 gallons	6.20
1001-4000 gallons	3.10
Over 4000 gallons	.60
Mobile Home hook-ups (flat rate)	17.60 per month
Water Haulers	at metered rate

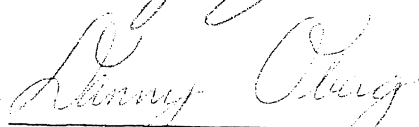
BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

  
THOMAS J. SCHNEIDER, Chairman

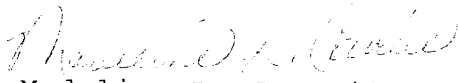
  
JOHN B. DRISCOLL, Commissioner

  
HOWARD L. ELLIS, Commissioner

  
CLYDE JARVIS, Commissioner

  
DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
Madeline L. Cottrill  
Commission Secretary

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NOTE: Any interested party may request the Commission to reconsider this decision. A motion to reconsider must be filed within ten (10) days. See ARM 38.2.4806.